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Department of Workforce Development

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Public Service Announcement

Wisconsin Minimum Wage Increases Effective June 1, 2005

On June 1, 2005 Wisconsin's minimum wage for adults increases from \$5.15 per hour to \$5.70 per hour. The new minor rate is \$5.30 per hour. Wisconsin's minimum wage rules also contain a number of specialized pay rates for persons employed in certain types of work.

The minimum wage rate for Wisconsin tipped employees does not change.

Wisconsin's new minimum wage rates:

- **General minimum wage rate** increases to \$5.70/hour (currently \$5.15/hour)
- **Minor minimum wage rate** increases to \$5.30/hour (currently same as adult rate \$5.15/hour)
- **Opportunity minimum wage rate** increases to \$5.30/hour (currently \$4.25/hour)
- **Agriculture minimum wage rate for workers age 18 and over** increases to \$5.15/hour (currently \$4.05/hour)
- **Agricultural minimum wage rate for workers age 17 and under** increases to \$4.25/hour (currently \$3.70/hour)
- **Camp counselor minimum wage rate for workers age 18 and over**
 - Increases to \$215/week if no room or board provided (currently \$140/week)
 - Increases to \$164/week if board provided (currently \$110/week)
 - Increases to \$129/week if room and board provided (currently \$91/week)
- **Camp counselor minimum wage rate for workers age 17 and under**
 - Increases to \$175/week if no room or board provided (currently \$123/week)
 - Increases to \$133/week if board provided (currently \$92/week)
 - Increases to \$105/week if room and board provided (currently \$74/week)
- **Golf caddy minimum wage rate** increases to \$10.50 for 18 holes, and \$5.90 for 9 holes (currently \$5.95 for 18 holes and \$3.35 for 9 holes)

Employers with questions concerning the new minimum wage rates may contact the Equal Rights Division for more information either at the Madison office [608-266-6860] or at the Milwaukee office [414-2274384] or the Department's website at: <http://dwd.wisconsin.gov>